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Dr. Neal Blackburn, Ph.D., WCHSA President
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Re: WIMCR Managed Care Cost Reporting for 2008/2009

Dear Neal:

Secretary Timberlake asked that I respond to concerns expressed by the Wisconsin County Human Service Association (WCHSA) regarding Medicaid Cost Reporting (WIMCR) for managed care services for calendar years 2008 and 2009. WCHSA indicates managed care reporting results in significant workload for counties and the submission date for such reports creates an undue burden.

WIMCR is a program by which counties report to the Department of Health Services (DHS) costs of providing select community-based Medicaid services and the Department claims additional federal funding for costs above the basic Medicaid reimbursement. WIMCR funding is shared between counties and DHS; the Department uses the funds to support Medicaid base benefits. Wisconsin's Medicaid program continues to experience high demand for services and the WIMCR program remains a viable resource to generate funding. WIMCR ultimately enhances both state and county human service programming.

In 2009 DHS began working with Public Consulting Group (PCG) to improve the content and accuracy of WIMCR cost reports. PCG is assisting DHS to expand claiming to include county costs for providing Medicaid services under contract with Medicaid HMOs and Family Care MCOs. Similar to fee for service claiming, DHS can claim federal funding for county costs for services above the reimbursement the HMO or MCO provides. Including these services in the WIMCR claiming process can increase federal claiming.

DHS worked with WCHSA to identify concerns with managed care cost reporting and offers the following information:

- **WIMCR managed care cost reporting for calendar year 2008 and 2009 is optional for county agencies.**
 - If a county agency submits a 2008 or 2009 WIMCR Managed Care Report prior to July 31, 2010, that report will be desk reviewed and, if at all possible, will be included in the cost settlements processed in September 2010.

- DHS encourages counties to report CY 08 and 09 managed care data to enhance the WIMCR claim. PCG is available to assist agencies in identifying data that can be used for the WIMCR managed care claim, such data may originate from the county or may be available from managed care organizations. Any data counties are able to submit may be used to support federal claiming.
- WCHSA asked DHS to make available data extracted from managed care organizations to allow comparisons of managed care data with county generated data. This was identified as an option to lessen the reporting workload for counties. DHS will provide this information to county agencies on request. Counties can contact the PCG WIMCR Team for 2008 or 2009 claims level detail in order to submit a 2008 or 2009 WIMCR Managed Care Report. The request can be made any time between now and June 30, 2011 to allow processing with the cost settlements submitted in September 2011. The request needs to include the county agency's Wisconsin Medicaid Number, the WIMCR service category, and the name of the managed care organization.
- **WIMCR managed care reporting for calendar year 2010 is required, reports will be due in June 2011.** County agencies should develop procedures so 2010 Medicaid managed care claims data can be submitted in 2011. The format of the 2010 WIMCR Managed Care Report will include the data elements/fields currently included in the 2008 and 2009 WIMCR Managed Care Report templates posted to the WIMCR website.

The Public Consulting Group is available to assist counties with WIMCR questions or reporting issues. Contact information for the PCG WIMCR Team is:

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DHS appreciates WCHSA's partnership in the WIMCR process. Please contact me with questions.

Sincerely,

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